HOUSE BILL No. 1144

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: None (noncode).

Synopsis: Property tax exemptions. Grants a youth baseball and softball organization an additional period in which to file an application for a property tax exemption.

Effective: Upon passage.

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January 13, 2004, read first time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.



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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2003 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning taxation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The definitions
in IC 6-1.1-1 apply throughout this SECTION.

- (b) As used in this SECTION, "taxpayer" means a nonprofit corporation that is an owner of land and improvements:
 - (1) that were owned, occupied, and used by the taxpayer to provide youths with the opportunity to play supervised and organized baseball or softball, or both, against other youths during the period preceding the assessment date in 2002 and continuing through the date that this SECTION is effective;
 - (2) for which a property tax liability exceeding twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) was imposed for property taxes first due and payable in 2003;
 - (3) that would have qualified for an exemption under IC 6-1.1-10 from property taxes first due and payable in 2003 if the owner had complied with the filing requirements for the exemption in a timely manner; and
 - (4) that have been granted an exemption under IC 6-1.1-10 from property taxes first due and payable in 2004.



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(c) The land and improvements described in subsection (b) are exempt under IC 6-1.1-10-16 from property taxes first due and payable in 2003, notwithstanding that the taxpayer failed to make a timely application for the exemption on or before May 15, 2002. (d) The taxpayer may file a claim with the county auditor for a refund for the amount paid toward property taxes on the land and improvements described in subsection (b) that were billed to the taxpayer for property taxes first due and payable in 2003. The claim must be filed as set forth in IC 6-1.1-26-1. The claim must present sufficient facts for the county auditor to determine whether the claimant is a person that meets the qualifications described in subsection (b) and the amount that should be refunded to the taxpayer. (e) Upon receiving a claim filed under this SECTION, the county auditor shall determine whether the claim is correct. If the county auditor determines that the claim is correct, the county auditor shall submit the claim under IC 6-1.1-26-3 to the county board of commissioners for review. The only grounds for disallowing the claim under IC 6-1.1-26-4 are that the claimant is not a person that meets the qualifications described in subsection

(f) This SECTION expires December 31, 2006. SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.

IC 6-1.1-26-5, no interest is payable on the refund.

(b) or that the amount claimed is not the amount due to the

taxpayer. If the claim is allowed, the county auditor shall, without

an appropriation being required, issue a warrant to the claimant

payable from the county general fund for the amount due the

claimant under this SECTION. The amount of the refund must

equal the amount of the claim allowed. Notwithstanding



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